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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

**Serge Beaudoin, et al.**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examining the subject application, please enter the following amendment. It is believed that no fee is required for this filing, however, if a fee is required, please charge our deposit account no. 19-0733.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Before line 1 of page 1, please insert the following paragraph:

--This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)(1) of prior filed provisional application 60/256,926, filed December 21, 2000.—

REMARKS

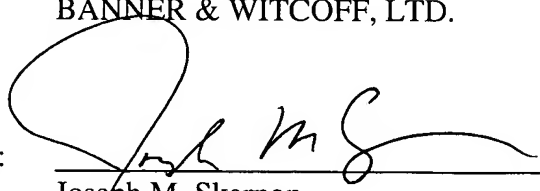
Entry of the amendment, which expressly claims the benefit of a prior filed provisional application and consideration of the application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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